



The different levels of overarching priorities

Overarching Priorities: European commission priorities 2019-2024

- **Smart**
digital technology in the poorest countries by building foundations for digital skills
- **Green deal**
enabling a profound change in institutions and peoples' behaviour and skills
- **Inclusion and diversity**
making education systems more equitable
- **Values**
laying the foundations for strengthening active citizenship and building specific expertise of future policy-makers in areas such as democracy, human rights and multilateralism
- **Growth & Jobs**
foundational skills, 'soft' skills (e.g. problem solving, communication), and Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Maths (STEAM), Education and employability

Information about the European Commission priorities for 2019-2024 are available here:
https://ec.europa.eu/info/strategy/priorities-2019-2024_en

Overarching priorities of the Erasmus+ programme

- **Green deal**
enabling a profound change in institutions and peoples' behaviour and skills
- **Digital transformation**
Smart, digital technology in the poorest countries by building foundations for digital skills
- **Inclusion and diversity**
making education systems more equitable
- **Governance, peace, security and human development**
laying the foundations for strengthening active citizenship and building specific expertise of future policy-makers in areas such as democracy, human rights and multilateralism (Values)
- **Sustainable growth & Jobs**
foundational skills, 'soft' skills (e.g. problem solving, communication), and Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Maths (STEAM), Education and employability

Information about Erasmus+ Programme Priorities can be found in the Programme Guide at the following link: [Erasmus+ Programme Guide | Erasmus+ \(europa.eu\)](#)

Overarching Priorities for Regions 1-3 (including South Mediterranean countries)

- **Green deal**
Projects should contribute to an inclusive, long-term socio-economic recovery and tap into the Region's economic potential by supporting the circular and green economy as well as urban development. Priorities include increasing climate awareness, sustainability and resilience, specifically in the key sectors of agriculture, energy and water management. Furthermore, academic cooperation should aim to provide applicable answers to environmental challenges, including desertification, biodiversity loss and use of natural resources
- **Digital transformation**
Projects should seize the digital transition by working on digital literacy, skills and entrepreneurship. In parallel, digital solutions can provide new means to reach out to vulnerable communities. Cooperation opportunities also lie in digital infrastructure and connections, where heightened reliability, capacity and security will support regional economic integration.
- **Migration and Mobility**
Education access for displaced persons and refugees is a priority objective for the entire Region. Support intra-regional initiatives on credential and degree recognition as well as regional credit transfer systems. Opportunities and jobs, as referred to in the other regional priorities, should be inclusive of all, including migrants and displaced persons.
- **Governance, peace, security and human development**
Commitment to the rule of law, human and fundamental rights, equality, democracy and good governance are the bedrock of stable, fair and prosperous societies. Initiatives on peace and security, intercultural dialogue and women empowerment are encouraged, hereby driving respect for diversity, tolerance and strengthening the Mediterranean partnership.
- **Sustainable growth and jobs**
Improving education systems governance and addressing structural causes of schools dropouts are crucial to meet youth aspirations and to address persisting economic and gender inequalities. An integral part to this process is developing primary and secondary teacher education and in-service training. Stronger linkages between the academic, research and business world are to be stimulated, with education programmes addressing current and future skills needs, not in the least entrepreneurship. Innovation hubs and start-ups help generate local employment opportunities and prevent brain drain. Particular attention is to be paid to women participation.

*Regional priorities are found on the Funding and Tender Opportunities Portal:
<https://ec.europa.eu/info/fundingtenders/opportunities/portal/screen/home>*